

COUNTRYLINE

The Harmonators

TOGETHER for 4 years, Rae Moody (a 2007 CMAA College of Country Music Graduate and 2007 Toyota Star Maker Finalist) from Sydney's North Shore, along with Liz Kinninmont from Sutherland Shire, make up this dynamic duo.

The pair, each a product of the Australian Institute of Music's contemporary voice department, met as they pursued studies as lead vocalists. They have achieved steady success in Sydney venues, with audiences being charmed by their uniquely distinctive harmonic rhythm.

In 2004, Rae & Liz took their first trip to the Tamworth CM Festival. Whilst in Tamworth the girls performed many venues and competitions, but it was at the Capital Country

Music Associations 38th National Jamboree where they achieved their first taste of success. The Harmonators, winners for Best Group, became the Overall winners, one of very few groups to do so in the history of the competition.

The Harmonators' Tamworth success led to excellent follow-up media interest in Sydney. The girls have been profiled in numerous local papers, and also recorded two segments for Channel Seven's national teen show, "Girl TV".

Their versatility allows The Harmonators to cross genres and appeal to a wider audience, including the corporate market, with appearances for companies such as Avis. They opened for

Elvis Costello, Joe Camilleri, and Diesel at 'A Day on The Green' in the NSW's Hunter Valley to a crowd of 5,000.

Following on from the 2006 self-titled EP, finally Rae & Liz have returned with their first single 'Don't Come Back' from their forthcoming debut album *Here And Now*.

The album is contemporary country, showcasing songs written by Rae & Liz, such as 'Don't Come Back' and 'No Limits', and includes songs penned by Felicity Urquhart and Sam Hawksley.

The new album shows The Harmonators in fine form, under the production of Matt



Fell (Sara Storer / Jonah's Road) and Michael Carpenter, confirming the duos transformation into a new phase of their career.

Their harmonies are beautiful, mellow and melodious, and raise the bar for the duo's success - they are sure to shine, and have cemented themselves as an act to watch in 2008. www.theharmonators.com ■

REVIEWS



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Here & Now

INDEPENDENT

Rae Moody and Liz Kinninmont have joined together as The Harmonators, who bring a new contemporary really nice sound to country music with their debut album *Here & Now*. Producers Matt Fell and Michael Carpenter have ensured the music and the choice of songs serve to showcase the powerful and passionate vocal style of these girls. The album also sends a strong message to young women, particularly on songs like the first single, 'Don't Come Back' which informs the listener of that they have choices they can make. I love the sheer delight of 'Move In Close' and the ambience of the shadowy 'Tomorrow Never Knows' written by Sam Hawksley and Felicity Urquhart. I'm also taken with 'Girl Like Me', 'If Love Ain't Crazy' and the title track 'Here & Now'. I haven't seen these girls perform live yet, but after this album I'll be sure to search them out.